SUBJECT No. 133.

Holding Degree examinations twice a year.

Mr. A. Naraniengar, Hassan Taluk.

Mr. A. Naranaiengar.—There is only one annual examination now. If two chances are given, the boys will have facility to appear for different branches separately in the course of the year. Such a system prevails in Madras and Bombay. Even in western countries, it is said that such a thing is done. There will not be much inconvenience to the University if the examination is held twice a year instead of only once as at present.

First Member of Council.—This is a matter for the consideration of the University.

Mr. H. Krishna Sastry.—Government may themselves send the representation to the University, as other representations are referred to different Departments.

Inspector-General of Education.—The proposition has to be moved in the Senate. The University is a corporate body and Government cannot move in the matter.

SUBJECT No. 134.

Appointment of School Committees at Taluk Head-quarters.

Mr. H. S. Venkata Rao, Harihar Sub-Taluk.

Mr. H. S. Venkata Rao.—It is not always possible for Inspecting Officers to inspect and watch the condition of A. V. Schools. The Compulsory Education Scheme provides for an Education Committee. This Committee may be given power to inspect the condition of each A. V. School in the taluk, whether the boys attend properly, whether the system of teaching is good, in what way it may be improved, and so on. The management of the A. V. Schools is going from bad to worse and unless School Committees are appointed at each taluk head-quarter to report on their condition from time to time, there will be very little improvement in these schools.

Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao.—The appointment of such Committees will bring about disunion and discord by importing party spirit and will not be conducive to any practical work.

Dewan.—Not necessary.

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(INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE.)

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SUBJECT No. 135.

Enforcement of rules about weights and measures.

Mr. H. Venkatappa Gouda, Thirthahalli Taluk.

Mr. Venkatappa Gouda.—Poor people have no knowledge of the proper weights and measures as all sorts of weights and measures are in vogue in different parts of the country. There are maunds of 40 seers, 44 seers and 48 seers. Rules may be strictly enforced, so that there may be no room for malpractices.

Mr. C. Vasudeva Rao.—The rules are published in the *Gazette* and every one ought to know them. Every measure and every weight has been definitely fixed.

Mr. Venkatappa Gowda.—There is no doubt that the rules are there but they are not enforced. For wholesale dealers on a large scale, it may be all right. But poorer people who are petty shop-keepers are the real sufferers. Purchases are made on one weight and sales with a different weight. There is no fixity in practice. This should be prevented. In many places, there are specified local weights. It is difficult to displace them. An outside merchant goes to the place having in view the local weight for purposes of trade and if the advantage is taken away, the trade will suffer. The local custom of the trade cannot be disturbed.

First Member of Council.—The whole difficulty has arisen, because correct weights and measures could not be supplied. Government are taking steps to supply them. After they are supplied, unauthorized weights will either disappear or be found out. If there are different weights and measures in particular localities and it is customary to adopt them for purposes of trade, it is more the concern of the parties who are governed by a contract among themselves.

Dewan.—Until authorized weights and measures are supplied, there will be some inconvenience. But once they are supplied, people resorting to false weights may be prosecuted.

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SUBJECT No. 136.

Increase of Agricultural Inspectors.

Messrs. Nadig Lakshmana Rao, Nadig Sitharamappa and Nadig Bhaskara Rao, Sorab Taluk.

Mr. M. Subbaiya.—An Agricultural Inspector may be appointed for each Taluk.

Second Member of Council.—It is a question of time and funds. There is no difference of opinion in regard to the necessity for an Agricultural Inspector for each taluk, but nothing can be done immediately

Dewan.—Desirable; but question of funds. Will be done gradually.

SUBJECT No. 137.

Establishment of an Agricultural College in Mysore.

Mr. M. Venkatakrishnaiya, Mysore.

An Agricultural College may be established in Mysore.

Dewan.—This is an Education Subject and has been already considered in connection with the development of Faculties in the University. (*Vide* Subject No. 99.)